REFEREES

Referees Assigned to Games: One referee shall be required for all games U-8 and above.

Referees' Judgment Decisions: The referee's judgment decisions shall be final in all matters concerning the rules governing the playing of the game, the playability of the field, and appropriateness of uniforms.

Forfeit of Game: It shall be the duty of the referee to declare a forfeit in the event that a team has less than the minimum number of players on the field ready to play, within fifteen (15) minutes after the game was scheduled to start. If neither team has the required number, it shall be double forfeit and scored as a loss for both teams.

GOOD THINGS TO KNOW

Orientation: The Division Managers are members of the BCYSC Board whose responsibility it is to help new coaches get up to speed. The Division Managers can help with many types of questions and problems faced by coaches, and can also put you in contact with other helpful people in the BCYSC organization. At the beginning of each season, an orientation session is held for new coaches.

Team Help: Coach should not attempt to do everything alone. One of the most important things a coach should do at the beginning of each season is to find a good assistant coach and team mom. The team mom is usually responsible for getting volunteers and assigning duties for the team's participation in club activities. The best thing to do at the beginning of each season is to ask all parents to come to the first practice and hold an information meeting to get your volunteers for help and then to pass on any and all club information and explain the basics of the game. There is no way that the board can get all of the rules and needs of the club passed on to every parent without the help of the coaches and team moms. So the board asks for your best effort in helping us pass information on to all of the parents. Who knows, you may have a parent on your team that has a talent or contact that the club is in need of, but he or she may have no idea of our need.

Spectators: Running along each side of the field is a separate line for the technical area about three feet deep from penalty box to penalty box, put there to provide the linesman with clear access to the edge of the field. All coaches, parents, and players are to stay behind this line during a game. Likewise, spectators should not venture beyond the ends of the spectator area (which extends to the forward edge of each penalty box), alongside the extreme ends of the field or behind the goal line during the game, since this distracts the goalkeeper and players approaching the goal.

Awards: At the end of each season, every player should receive a participation award.

Insurance: STYSA provides secondary accident insurance for the players once registered. It is secondary to your own health insurance. For more information, contact the Board of Directors. Important to know that the insurance runs from August 1st to July 31st for the seasonal year the child is registered. The insurance can only be exercised if your child is injured while playing on a STYSA certified field. All BCYSC scheduled fields are certified each year.

You may also check the website at www.bcysc.org. The coach should call, and then notify the members of his team. If you have an away game, call the club's rainout number to determine the status of your game. Do not assume the game is rained out unless specified on the rainout number or you have contacted a club board member who has confirmed game cancellation.